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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, Applicant hereby submits the following

references:

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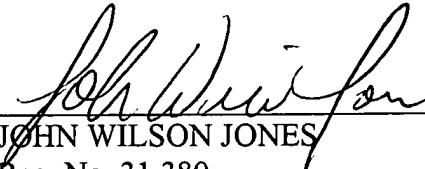
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) copies of the cited references are not enclosed as they were previously cited and provided in Applicant's prior application, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/144,727, filed September 1, 1998 or U.S. Patent No. 5,800,685.

Citation of these references should not be construed as an admission that they constitute prior art of the claimed invention.

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